



**PATENT**

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FASTENER INSERTS  
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**Preliminary Amendment and Petition For Extension Of Time**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed February 28, 2007. Applicants have filed a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), along with a request for a 3-month extension of time for the reply. With a 3-month extension, reply is timely on or before August 28, 2007.

Before examination on the merits, Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following remarks.

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**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.